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**Mr. Jeff Hofsass :**

I'm an Electronic Technician here in Chicago for over twenty years. While viewing the local nightly news in the fall of 1999, I witnessed a tragic fire death that taken the life of an beloved community activist. Whereby, this fire originated in the basement ( remote area ) family member was asleep on second floor level during early morning hours. Accordings to **Chicago Fire Department** report, there was working individual smoke detector units installed in the home, on the first and second floor level and was not enough to save there life. **Figures 3.1** drawing of Patent writing is base on this fire tragedy, whereas smoke detector alarm sound alerting basement area only, family member was partly alert or not at all. I thought of my own family, and went to work, in developed a smoke detector to overcome these shortcomings. Photo page ( 1 ) one enclosed, is a front side and rear view of the home we purchase here in Chicago 1999 with security bars on all the first floor and basement level windows. **Fig. 3.2** drawing of Patent writing illustrated the solution for remote areas. The Multiple Area Smoke Detector system I developed, is designed to alert families such as myself with children less than five years old sleeping in different rooms or areas of the home or building.. Photo page ( 2 ) two enclosed, is a photo of the first complete models dated 2 20 '00 and a photo of the Inventor holden one working model dated 3 06 '00. Photo page

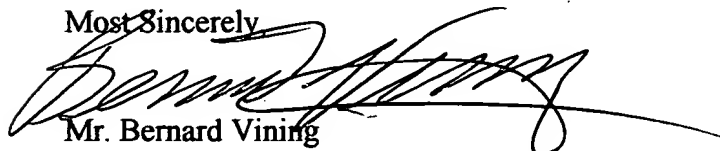
submitted with **Provisional Patent Application**, filing date 08/01/00, application number **60/222,300** displaying working models enclosed. Shortly after completing working models I visit the **Patent and Trademark Depository Library** here in Chicago whereby I did a complete search related to smoke detectors under class: **240 and 250**, subclass **381, 629, 438, 573 and 574**. Therefore by not finding any previous or present smoke detector units application on file incorporated with a **smoke detector unit, RF code lock transmitter and receiver circuit, manual and RF transmitter reset switches, tone generator, lamp indicator, and timer circuits**, after which learning these things, again I've file a Provisional Patent Application. Whereupon receiving Filing Receipt 10/30/2000, it further assured me that there was no other invention like this in the United State of America. Whereby knowing these things I've filed a Utility Patent Application 12/26/00.

**Please find closed :**

Two photo's pages, Provisional Patent Application Filing Receipt, Nonprovisional Patent Application , nine new Patent Application Claims four pages, and a package drawing demonstration one page.

Thank you kindly.

Most Sincerely,



Mr. Bernard Vining

**PATENT CLAIM**  
**09/747,268**

**What is claimed is :**

( 1 ) A multiple area smoke detector system, said with ability to transmitt *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock signal to other rooms or areas in the same building, said where emergency smoke conditions may have occured, remotely sounding audible alarms signals said alerting these areas ;

said individual source smoke detectors units used to detect smoke hazard conditions are incorporating parts ;

each of the said incorporating source smoke detectors units including :

said an commerical smoke detector unit, which is, said inbodied with ionization chamber said detection of smoke particles, said audible alarm to alert of isolated smoke hazard conditions;

said including commerical codelock transmitter circuit tuned to operate on the same *rf* radio frequency :

said for transmitting *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock signal, said to communicate with *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock receivers used in ,said single building to be protected ;

said including commerical codelock receiver circuit tuned to operate on the same *rf* radio frequency ,said for receiving tranmitted *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock signal said from *rf* tuned codelock transmitter circuits used said in a single building to be protected.

**( 2 ) Multiple area smoke detector system, said further including timers circuits :**

timer circuit said for receiving electrical voltage pulse said from commerical smoke detector unit ;

time circuit said to start system ;

timer circuit said for turning on false alarm visual lamp indicator,

timer circuit said for turning off false alarm visual lamp indicator ,

time circuit said for turning on triggered source smoke detector visual signal indicator,

time circuit said for turning off triggered source smoke detector visual signal indicator,

timer circuit electrical voltage pulse said for preventing transmitter circuit from, said transmitting *rf* radio frequency tuned codeclock signal ;

said timer circuit for actuating transmitter circuit said to generates *rf* radio frequency tuned codeclock signal to said actuates *rf* radio frequency tuned codeclock receivers circuit ;

said including tone generator circuit :

local tone generator circuit, said for generating audible signal ,

said including reset circuitry :

said for retting individual source smoke detector, said retting system ;

said including, individual source smoke detector, said each voltage supply operate on individual voltage dc / ac wall plugs adopter.

**( 3 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claim 2 , wherein, when a individual source smoke detector, local detecting unit detected smoke hazard conditions, said a**

incorporating electrical signal is generated to a connecting timer circuit, wherein said, electrically connected to false alarm timer circuit, said which display visual signal indicator during timer interval, said identifying where smoke hazard conditions originated, said a second visual lamp indicator electrically connected to a timer circuit, further displaying individual source smoke detector unit energized by smoke hazard conditions.

( 4 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claims 1,2 and 3, wherein, said when false alarm timer circuit interval time out, said a incorporating electrical signal is generated to energize transmitter circuit, said transmitter generates a *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock signal, said to actuate local and associated *rf* radio frequency tuned receivers circuits used to protected rooms or areas in a single building.

( 5 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claims, 1,3 and 4, wherein said false alarm timer interval time out, said electrical signal for false alarm visual signal indicator is turned-off; said trigger source smoke detector second visual signal indicator electrical connected to a timer circuit, said remains on, identifying triggered source detector unit, said until timer interval times out.

( 6 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claims, 1,2,3,4 and 5, wherein said where *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock local and associated receivers circuits is energized, said receivers outputs controllers changes states, said a incorporating electrical voltage signal is generated by receivers circuits to local and associated tone generators circuits, said produced audible signal, said to alert in rooms or areas to protected in a single building of smoke hazard conditions.

( 7 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claims 2,3,4 and 6, said receivers outputs controller changes states, said digital logic gate signal, said reset timer, resetting triggered source smoke detector unit, said incorporating voltage signal is switch off depowering local smoke detector, said inhibiting further actuation of the system, said until it is reset.

( 8 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claims 2,3 ,4 and 7, said wherein system contains reset circuitry, said for resetting triggered source smoke detector unit, said before false alarm timer interval expire, said by pressing and releasing manual *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock switch controller on unit twice in succession transmitting *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock signal , said to *rf* radio frequency tuned receiver circuit output controller , said reset triggered source smoke detector unit ; said resetsystem after false alarm timer interval expires, said pressing and releasing manual *rf* switch controller on unit once, transmitting *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock signal,said to *rf* radio frequency tuned receiver circuit output controller, said reset system.

( 9 ) Multiple area smoke detector system as in claim 8, said system have the ability to be reset, said from another source smoke detector switch controller, said other than the one that was triggered by smoke hazard conitions, said system have the ability to be reset, said by switch contoller on hand held *rf* radio frequency tuned codelock transmitter unit.

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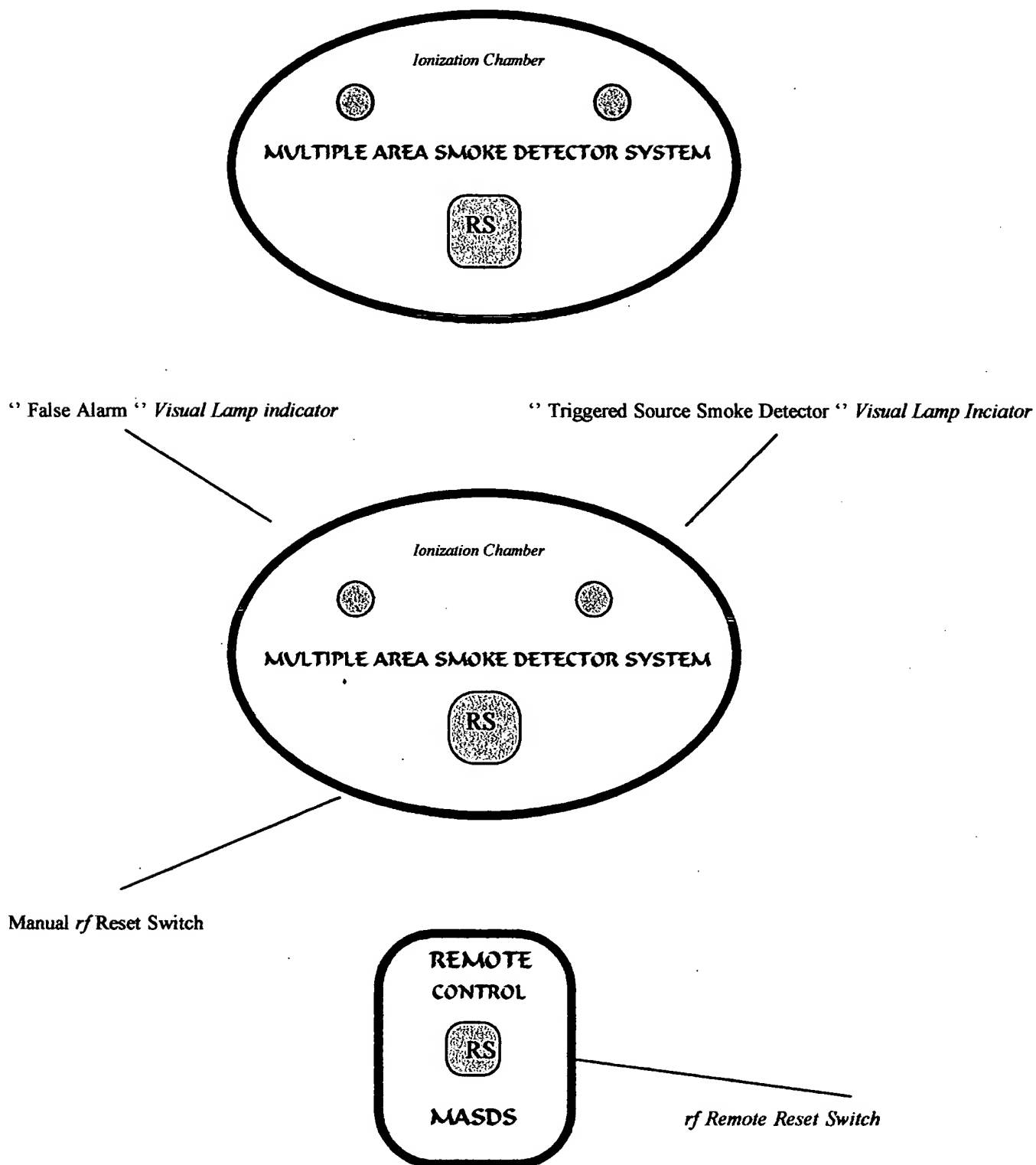


# MULTIPLE AREA SMOKE DETECTOR SYSTEM

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*Packages of Two, Three, Four and Five. Selected by rooms or areas in single Building to be Protected.*



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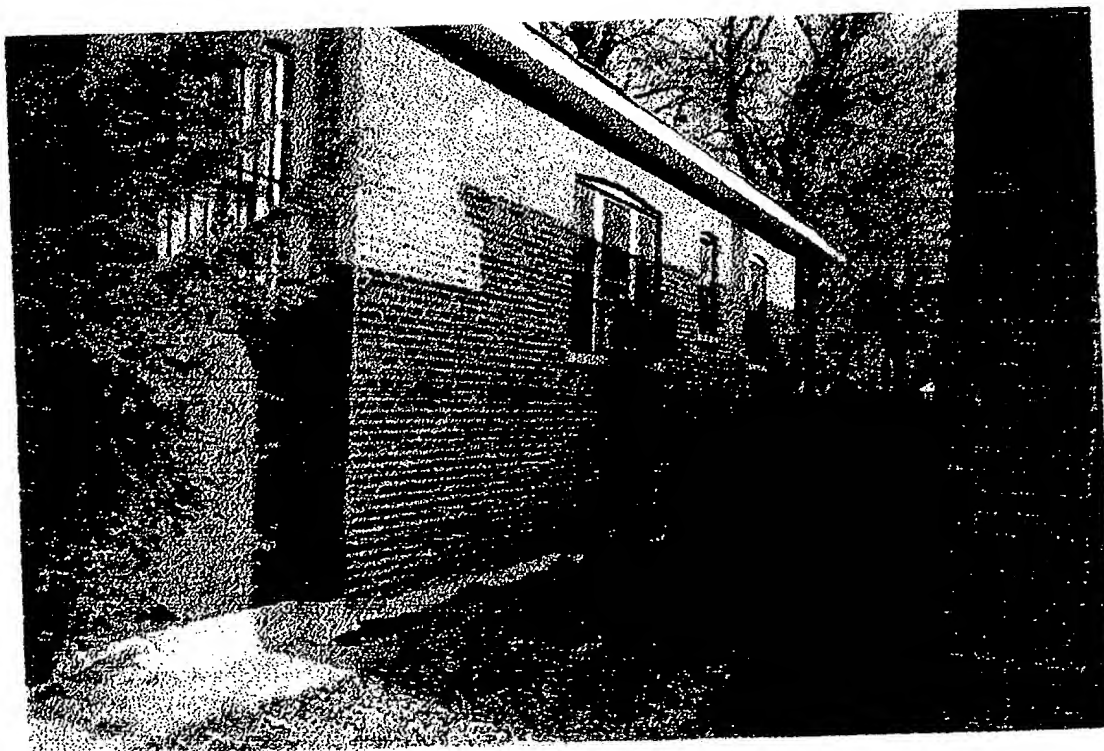
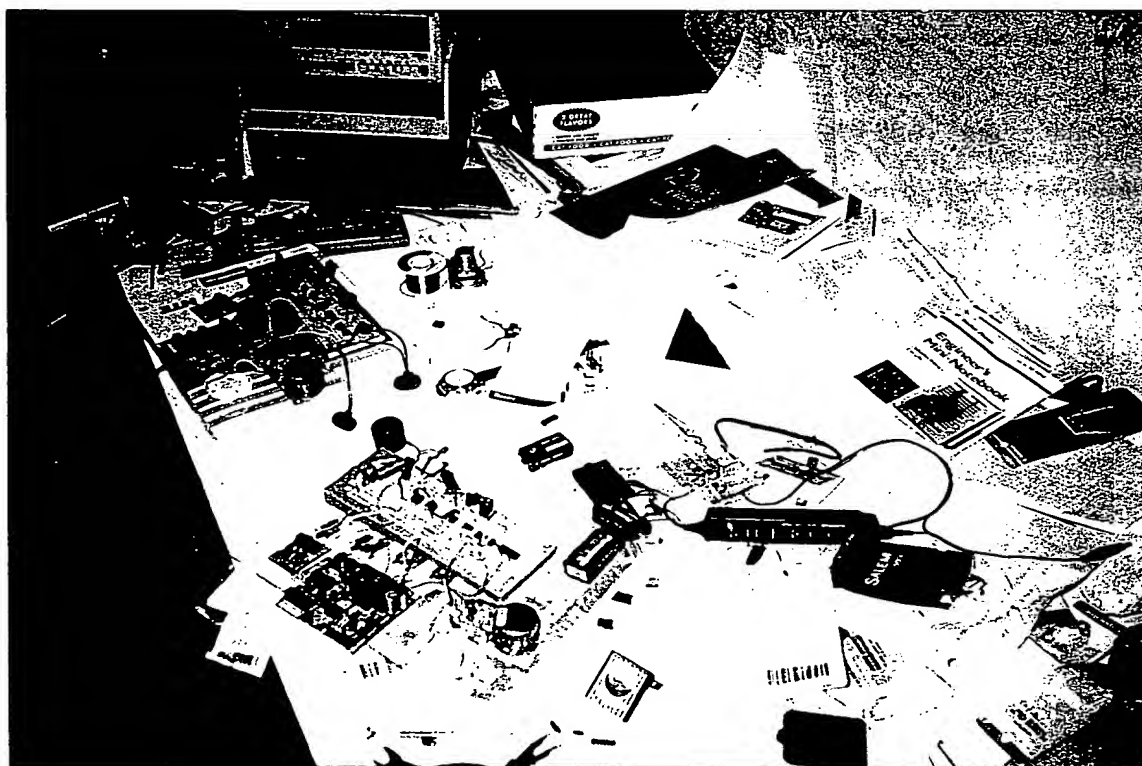


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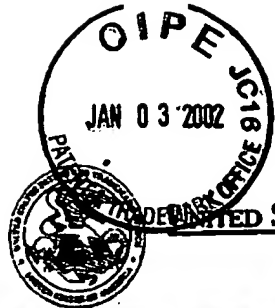
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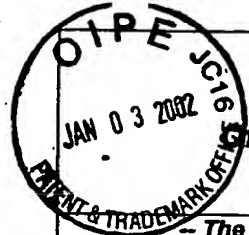
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 17 April 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
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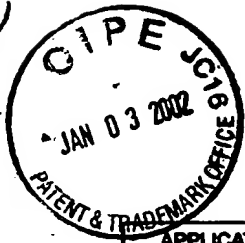
- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) \_\_\_\_\_
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